

## Market Square Update

This communication is being released to provide an update on the cost of some of the notable features that are included in the redeveloped Market Square, and to provide some information on the location of the Stratford city busses.

### a) Costing

The cost for some of the notable features that are included in Market Square are outlined as follows:

| Item                          | Number           |
|-------------------------------|------------------|
| Water Feature                 | 1                |
| Plinths                       | 3                |
| Café Tables                   | 8                |
| Café Chairs                   | 32               |
| Surface Mounted Benches       | 8                |
| Bike Racks                    | 5                |
| Umbrellas                     | 3                |
| Waste & Recycling Receptacles | 8                |
| Wooden Benches                | 3                |
| <b>TOTAL COST:</b>            | <b>\$363,000</b> |

Please note that the site furnishings are durable, long lasting commercial grade features that will provide low-maintenance seating and amenities for this important community space in the heart of our downtown core.

Also note that the figures provided by GSP (the City's consultant) that were included in the staff report dated 9 June 2016<sup>1</sup> were provisional estimates only. Actual costs are reflected above.

Finally, the City is governed by the requirements of the *Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* for the collection, use and retention of certain business/proprietary information and personal information supplied to the City by third parties.

### b) Transit

The City of Stratford has been looking for a location for a new transit hub for over ten years. Furthermore, the Council-approved Vision for Market Square included moving the busses away from City Hall, while retaining bus stops close to City Hall.<sup>2</sup> Staff continues to investigate optimal locations for Stratford Transit that will benefit users and improve customer service. At this time, the busses will continue to stop at the side of City Hall when Market Square is complete.

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<sup>1</sup> [20160613 – Market Square Cost Estimates, Transit.](#)

<sup>2</sup> [AtFocus Market Square Presentation to Council](#)